# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF August 11, 2014 PRODUCTIVITY INVESTMENT BOARD

500 West Temple Street Room 739 Los Angeles, CA 90012

**PIB Members Present** 

Rodney Gibson Edward McIntyre Viggo Butler William A. Sullivan

Jaclyn Tilley Hill

<u>Absent</u>

Walter Allen William Waddell

Patricia Johnson

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Gibson called the Productivity Investment Board (PIB) meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

#### APPROVAL OF SUMMARY - MAY 12, 2014, MEETING

Commissioner McIntyre moved to approve the summary of May 12, 2014, seconded by Commissioner Hill. The summary was unanimously approved.

#### ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER TO PRESENT PIF PROPOSALS

Commissioner Gibson assigned the following Commissioners to present the proposals at the August 18, 2014, general meeting:

15.1 – Public Works – Commissioner Sullivan

15.2 – BOS Arts Commission – Commissioner Hill

15.3 – Sheriff – Commissioner McIntyre

15.4 – Public Health – Commissioner Butler

15.5 – Coroner – Commissioner Butler

15.6 – Coroner – Withdrawn

## ACTION ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF PRODUCTIVITY INVESTMENT BOARD (PIB) ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-14, 4th QUARTER

Commissioner Gibson informed that there are five proposals being considered today.

**15.1 – Public Works**, Youth Opportunity Program (YOP), \$395,015 grant



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The motion to approve the project was made by Commissioner McIntyre, seconded by Commissioner Butler.

Jesus Corral (Probation), Belinda Walker (Girls & Gangs), Tony Zepeda (Soledad Enrichment Action), Jon Trochez, Kathy Salama, and Kimberly Lyman (Public Works), presented the project. YOP's goal is to reduce recidivism and help participants build positive lives. YOP empowers and supports youths leaving probation camps to successfully transition back into their communities and become productive citizens. The Los Angeles County Departments of Public Works, Probation, Human Resources, Community and Senior Services, Office of Education, together with Girls & Gangs and Soledad Enrichment Action have partnered to create YOP.

Susan Linschoten, PIB Advisory Committee Chair, reported that the Advisory Committee recommended a full award of the grant. They thought it was a good project and the salaries are temporary and not ongoing.

After discussion and questions by Commissioners, the motion to approve a grant in the amount of \$395,015 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Gibson, Hill, Butler, and McIntyre

No: None

Abstain: Commissioner Sullivan

**15.2 – BOS Arts Commission,** Arts for All Technology Enhanced Arts Learning (TEAL) project, \$1,085,446 grant

The motion to approve the project was made by Commissioner McIntyre, seconded by Commissioner Hill.

Laura Zucker, Denise Grande, and Yvonne Contreras (Arts Commission), and Robin Guerrero (BOS-Executive Office) presented the project. The goal of TEAL is to provide meaningful professional development in the arts at a large scale. Funding would enable the Arts Commission to provide high quality professional development over the next three years to strengthen 17,500 educators' abilities to deliver arts instruction to students.

Susan Linschoten, PIB Advisory Committee Chair, reported that the Advisory Committee struggled with the program presented at the Advisory Committee meeting. Today's presentation was not the same, but much better. Based on the presentation at the Advisory Committee meeting, members felt it was more of an Los Angeles County Office of Education than an Arts Commission project. Committee members asked if they received any grants from other funding sources, which they had not. The final

recommendation was to scale back the project. They should do the first phase and try to get a match from other funding sources for the remaining phases.

After discussion and questions by Commissioners, Commissioner Butler amended the motion to fund the first year and delay approval for years two and three until the November 17, 2014, Productivity Investment Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McIntyre. The motion to fund a \$72,500 grant for the first year and ask the Arts Commission to return to the November 17, 2014, meeting for consideration of funding for years two and three was passed by a unanimous vote.

#### 15.3 - Sheriff, All Electric Patrol Vehicle Pilot, \$177,822 grant

The motion to approve the project was made by Commissioner McIntyre, seconded by Commissioner Hill.

Scott Edson, Peter Burnstein, Greg Nelson, Rick Teebay, Glen Joe, and Sharon Johnson of the Sheriff's Department presented the project. The department wants to test next generation vehicle technology for use in patrol service in an urban environment. They want to purchase, equip, and deploy two all-electric Tesla Model S sedans to evaluate their effectiveness in such an environment. The evaluation will include performance metrics, operational functionality, infrastructure, maintenance requirements, ergonomics, equipment mounting and storage, and additional electronic accessories and components.

Susan Linschoten, PIB Advisory Committee Chair, reported that the Advisory Committee recommends full funding of the grant. A concert of the Committee was a negative perception from the public about the Tesla vehicle, which the Sheriff's Department needs to address. One possible solution is to emphasize that the all-electric vehicle project is an innovative pilot program, which will provide important data on its viability as the next generation of public safety vehicles.

After discussion and questions by Commissioners, the motion to approve a \$177,822 grant was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Gibson, McIntyre, Hill, and Sullivan

No: None

Abstain: Commissioner Butler

**15.4 – Public Health,** Video Directly Observed Therapy (VDOT) Technology Project, \$150,000 grant

The motion to approve the project was made by Commissioner McIntyre, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan.

Catherine Mak, Dr. Peter Current, and Stuart Mullen from Public Health presented the project. VDOT is a technology system which allows a patient to use a smartphone to record a video as proof of taking prescribed TB medication. The encrypted video recording is uploaded to a HIPAA-compliant cloud server where DPH personnel are able to review the video, observe and verify whether the patient is taking the prescribed TB medication.

Susan Linschoten, PIB Advisory Committee Chair, reported that the Advisory Committee recommended a full grant. They were very impressed with the use of the technology and learned a lot about TB. One suggestion was to get an app for personal cell phones so that patients would not have to use department purchased phones.

After discussion and questions by Commissioners, the motion to approve a \$150,000 grant was unanimously approved.

**15.5 – Coroner**, Automated Real-Time Temperature/Environmental Monitoring System, \$40,000 grant

The motion to approve the project was made by Commissioner McIntyre, seconded by Commissioner Hill.

Dan Anderson, Inna Sarac, and Jessica Gadway from the Coroner's Department presented the project. The department would like to replace the old, time-consuming, labor-intensive temperature/environmental monitoring process with a modernized solution that will provide fully-integrated automated temperature and humidity sensors that are electronically monitored and recorded into a computer database that allows for easy access and retrieval of archived information. Real time alerts of any temperature/environmental issues will help prevent issues that potentially could lead to the loss of, or damage to, the integrity of stored evidence, sensitive equipment, expensive reagents, biological specimens, and especially to the decedents.

Susan Linschoten, PIB Advisory Committee Chair, reported that the Advisory Committee recommended full funding of the grant. It is a good project that enhances quality and productivity and the public trust.

After discussion and questions by Commissioners, the motion to approve a \$40,000 grant was unanimously approved.

After each presentation, Commissioner Gibson reminded department presenters to be present at the full Commission meeting on Monday, August 18, 2014, to answer questions regarding their respective proposals. The full Commission will make a final decision on their proposals.

#### **FUND BALANCE REPORT**

Commissioner Gibson reported that the ending fund balance, as of March 2014, was \$2.7 million, less approximately \$1.1 million in Commission-approved funding for PIF proposals for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters. (A copy of the balance sheet was provided in the packet distributed).

The Commission anticipates \$3 million dollars in additional funding during the 2014-2015 supplemental budget.

### <u>DISCUSSION AND MATTERS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA)</u>

None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commission McIntyre moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hill. The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m. The next PIB meeting will be on November 17, 2014.